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For : LIGHT-RESPONSIVE VEHICLE CONTROL SUCH AS AN
ELECTRO-OPTIC REARVIEW MIRROR SYSTEM THAT IS
ADAPTIVE TO VEHICLE CONFIGURATION

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Dear Sir:

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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.51, 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information listed on attached Forms PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner in connection with examination of the present application.

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The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the patents, publications and other documents listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449.

United States Patent No. 5,715,093; and 5,812,321 issued to Schierbeek et al.; United States Patent Nos. 6,305,807; 6,089,721 and 6,547,404 issued to Schierbeek; United States Patent Nos. 6,299,315; 6,210,008; 6,056,410; 6,406,152 and 6,474,820 issued to Hoekstra et al.; United States Patent No. 6,355,920 and 6,590,193 issued to Schofield et al. and United States Patent No. 4,886,960 issued to Molyneux et al. are commonly assigned with the present application.

United States patent application Serial No. 10/285,008 and 10/413,264 are commonly assigned co-pending applications.

Applicants respectfully request that the information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 10/095,136, be considered in the present application. With the exception of commonly assigned patent application Serial Nos. 10/285,008 and 10/413,264 attached hereto, copies of the cited art can be found in one or more of the parent application files.

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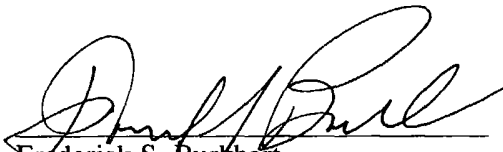
An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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